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In re Application of:

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For: LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY
ELEMENT

Group Art Unit: 2871

Examiner: RUDE, Timothy L.

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT

In reply to the Office Action dated May 17, 2002, please amend the application
as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 12 and 13 and amend claims 8, 14, and 15, as follows:

8. (Amended) A liquid crystal display element comprising:
- a first substrate;
 - a second substrate counter to said first substrate;
 - a switching element disposed on said first substrate;
 - a first alignment layer formed over said switching element;
 - a second alignment layer formed over said second substrate, wherein said
first and second alignment layers are rubbed in rubbing directions;

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